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Kohler's Crossing expansion completed in Kyle

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A road expansion that is part of the city of Kyle's transportation plan was completed this week.

Kohler's Crossing, which runs through the Plum Creek master planned development, was expanded from a two-lane road to a four-lane, 2.3-mile road with a median and turn lanes. The road also completes the first leg of the Kyle Loop and will eventually connect FM 2770 with Kyle's soon-to-be-constructed access roads on I-35.

Plum Creek's developers donated much of the project's right of way, and city and county officials say that donation helped the \$6.7 million project be completed ahead of time and on budget.

"I think that the fact that all of the right of [was] donated by the property owners speaks volumes about how important Kohler's Crossing is to the community," Hays County Commissioner Jeff Barton says. "When you have that kind of commitment from your stakeholders, you know you have an important and viable project."

Kohler's Crossing intersects another major transportation artery for Kyle. FM 1626, also called Kyle Parkway, was recently expanded from Kohler's Crossing to I-35 and includes the first railroad overpass in Hays County. Another planned extension of that road will provide access to the new 210-bed **Seton Hospital**, which is under construction and expected to open in fall 2009.

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